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IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS SUBCOMMITTEE OF COMIREX

MINUTES OF MEETING

10:00 - 12:00 Tuesday, 26 August 1969

PRESIDING

Acting Chairman

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MEMBERS PRESENT

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Mr. J. C. St. Cyr, OACSI

Major D. Mancuso, AFNIN
Mr. J. Urban, ONI

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Office of Chairman:

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CONSULTANTS PRESENT

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OBSERVERS PRESENT

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Chairman stated that draft minutes for meeting of 19 August would be distributed in time for review at next meeting.

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REPORT ON SATELLITE OPERATIONS

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Schedule is as follows:

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SOUTH CHINA/NORTH VIETNAM PRIORITIES LIST

3. Chairman informed the Committee that a new priorities list had been published. DIA member tabled a memorandum proposing 14 deletions and 7 priority changes to the list. Chairman requested that members review the list and be prepared to act on the recommendations at the next meeting.

TAGBOARD REQUIREMENTS

4. The Chairman advised that there were two requests for an ICRS list of priority objectives for planning a TAGBOARD mission over South China or North Korea - one from the NRO and one from DIA. The DIA member stated that in light of discussions held with NRO authorities, wherein it was agreed that the NRO would submit a list of objectives to DIA for levy upon the operating command, the DIA was withdrawing its request to the ICRS. The Chairman distributed a list of targets for each country and stated that it would constitute the basis for an updated list which would be submitted to the NRO; the members were requested to review the list and submit recommended changes and/or additions. The DIA member commented that it was improper to have an incorporated priority listing which contains targets that reflect [redacted] priority beyond Priority 3; such target priorities did not result from ICRS prioritization action and therefore did not reflect the true intelligence need. In this regard, it was agreed that appropriate priority differentiation should be provided for and would include CCRP designation.

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5. Chairman requested that members review the distributed list and provide any inputs by noon Wednesday so that a consolidated list could be forwarded to the NRO later in the week. He stated that the revised list would be based on the following:

South China -- (In descending order of priority)

- a. Targets maintained on South China/NVN priorities list.
- b. CCRP targets.
- c. Remainder of targets.

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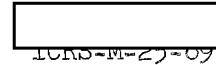
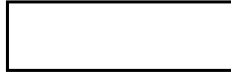
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North Korea -- (In descending order of priority)

- a. Targets identified as having a current intelligence 
- b. CCRP targets.
- c. Remainder of targets.

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CUBA

6. Chairman reported that area coverage for the current 56-day period stood at 94.7%. CIA member noted that CIA had levied a requirement on DIA for coverage of  target that was to have been covered on OLD HEAD Mission 95 which aborted. He requested that if coverage had not been obtained that it be rescheduled in the near future.

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U-2 RECONNAISSANCE

8. The Chairman informed the Committee that COMIREX had requested that ICRS make a general review of existing USIB requirements for U-2 coverage of Cuba and the areas addressed in the Far East Long Range paper to provide Chairman, COMIREX information in preparation for a meeting with the Deputy Director, NRO relative to the DDNRO's U-2 utilization study committee. Chairman stated that he planned to draft a paper along the following lines:

CUBA -- ICRS members have been reviewing the requirements in their respective agencies. Although the present requirement was initially considered still valid, preliminary indications are that the requirement could be relaxed without undue risk. A reduction in the requirement would be in consonance with a conclusion made in a recent CCPC study.

CHINA -- Although the use of SR-71 and/or Drones are considered to be more appropriate, some outstanding intelligence requirements against which the U-2 could be operated where the defensive environment permitted, are:

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a) Coverage of Priority targets in South China.

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c) Hen Yang Military District -- Coverage of this district is needed to support a special CIA study analysing the TO & E on a district basis.

[Subsequently, the Acting Chairman, COMIREX informed Chariman, ICRS that such a paper would not be required, and that a general recap of present requirements in areas where the U-2 might be utilized would be adequate.]

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AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

10. Chairman reported the following items would be discussed at the next meeting:

- a. CORONA Perigee Altitude Effect (Includes presentation by NPIC)
- b. Programming requirements for Mission 1052.

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TARGETS UPDATES

11. The weekly transaction sheets containing:
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| 5 Additions | |
| 82 Deletions | |
| 17 Changes | were approved. |

Eighteen delete actions were held in a pending status until the next meeting.

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Acting Chairman
Imagery Collection Requirements
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AGENDA

10:00, 26 August 1969, Room 2G-22 Headquarters

1. Approval of Minutes - 19 August Meeting
2. Operational Report - NRO
3. South China/North Vietnam Priorities List
(ICRS-D-6/18-4, [REDACTED], 16 July 1969)
4. TAGBOARD Requirements - Chairman
5. Update COMIREX File - Pages 509 thru 525
6. Other Business

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